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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENTCommissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 6, 2005. Claims 1-17 are pending.

Claims 1-17 were restricted under 35 USC § 121 as follows:

I. Claims 1-14 are said to be drawn to a mailer comprising form substrate having a digital printable surface portion, a releaser coating disposed on the form, and an adhesive disposed on the form such that the form may be folded and self-sealed, classified in Class 428, subclass 343+;

II. Claims 15-17 are said to be drawn to a method or making a self-seal mailer comprising: providing a form comprising an adhesive suitable for self-sealing the form; applying a release coating to at least a portion of the form; providing a sticker comprising a backing and a pressure sensitive adhesive; and releasably attaching the pressure sensitive adhesive of the sticker to the release coating, classified in Class 156, subclass various;

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Election

In response, Applicants elect Group I, with traverse.

Reconsideration and withdrawal or modification of the restriction requirement is respectfully requested.

Applicants submit that the Groups I and II claims are so interrelated that a search of one group of claims will reveal art to the other. Moreover, the classification of the claims of Groups I and II in different classes and subclasses is not sufficient grounds to require restriction.

Conclusion

Applicants have elected Group I. Continued prosecution of this application is respectfully requested.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the indicated telephone number with questions that can be resolved with a simple teleconference.

Respectfully submitted,

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